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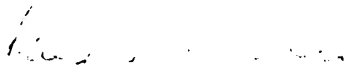
**Mr. Michael Metcalf, Publisher
PROVIDENCE JOURNAL
75 Fountain Street
Providence, RI 02902**

Dear Mr. Metcalf:

I noted with interest the editorial entitled "CIA Spooks, Profs: Back Together Again" which appeared in the JOURNAL on 27 January.

We appreciate your objective editorial. With the thought that you, appropriate members of your staff, including the writer of the editorial, and your readers may be interested in the full text of Deputy Director Robert Gates' remarks at Harvard on 13 February, I have enclosed a copy of his speech.

Sincerely,


**George V. Lauder
Director, Public Affairs**